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NASS TO RE-SURVEY OPERATORS WITH UNHARVESTED SMALL GRAINS

USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) may release updated acreage, yield, production and stocks estimates for barley, oats, Durum wheat and other spring wheat in the November 10 *Crop Production* report. Previous estimates included in the *Small Grains 2009 Summary* released on September 30 were based on a sample of producers growing small grains this year.

When producers were surveyed there was significant unharvested acreage of barley and oats in Idaho, Minnesota, Montana, North Dakota, and Wyoming; significant unharvested acreage of Durum wheat in Idaho, Montana, and North Dakota; and a large proportion of other spring wheat acreage not yet harvested in Idaho, Minnesota, Montana, and North Dakota. The unharvested area and expected production were included in the totals released on September 30.

NASS will re-contact respondents who previously reported acreage not yet harvested in these states. If the newly collected data justifies any changes, NASS will update the September 30 estimates in the November 10 report. Stocks estimates are also subject to review since unharvested production is included in the estimate of on-farm stocks.

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